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Remarks

The specification has been amended to update the status of the related application, to clarify the gate oxide layer, and to make minor editorial corrections. The Abstract was amended to clucidate that the invention is directed towards a method of manufacturing a multilayered doped conductor. Finally, the Title was amended to clearly indicate the invention to which the claims were directed. Applicant now believes the Specification complies with all formalities.

Claims 1-58 are currently pending. Claims 32-58 were withdrawn from consideration.

- Claims 1, 22-25, 27, 30 and 31 were allowed, claims 20, 21 and 26 were rejected and claims 219, 28 and 29 were objected to. Claims 2-21, 28 and 29 have been amended.

Claim Objections

Claims 2-21, 28 and 29 were objected to as being informal. Accordingly, claims 2-21, 28 and 29 were amended to make minor editorial corrections as suggested by the Examiner.

Applicant now believes the claims 2-21, 28 and 29 comply with all formalities and requests that the Examiner withdraw her objections to claim 2-21, 28 and 29.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claim 20 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Accordingly, claim 20 has been amended to provide antecedent basis for the indicated subject matter. Applicant believes that claim 20 is no longer indefinite and requests that the Examiner withdraw her rejection to claim 20.

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Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-21, 26, 28 and 29 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome all objections and rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Accordingly, claims 2-21, 26, 28 and 29 have been amended to overcome the Examiner's objections and to comply with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Further, claims 2-21, 26, 28 and 29 depend on allowed claim 1, either directly or ultimately, and are patentable for the same reaso as as claim 1. Therefore, Applicant believes claims 2-21, 26, 28 and 29 are now in condition for allowance and request that the Examiner withdraw her rejections of claims 2-21, 26, 28 and 29.

Conclusion

For the above reasons, the Applicant respectfully submits that the above claims represent allowable subject matter. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to resolve efficiently any formal matters or to discuss any aspects of the application or of this response.

Otherwise, early notification of allowable subject matter is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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